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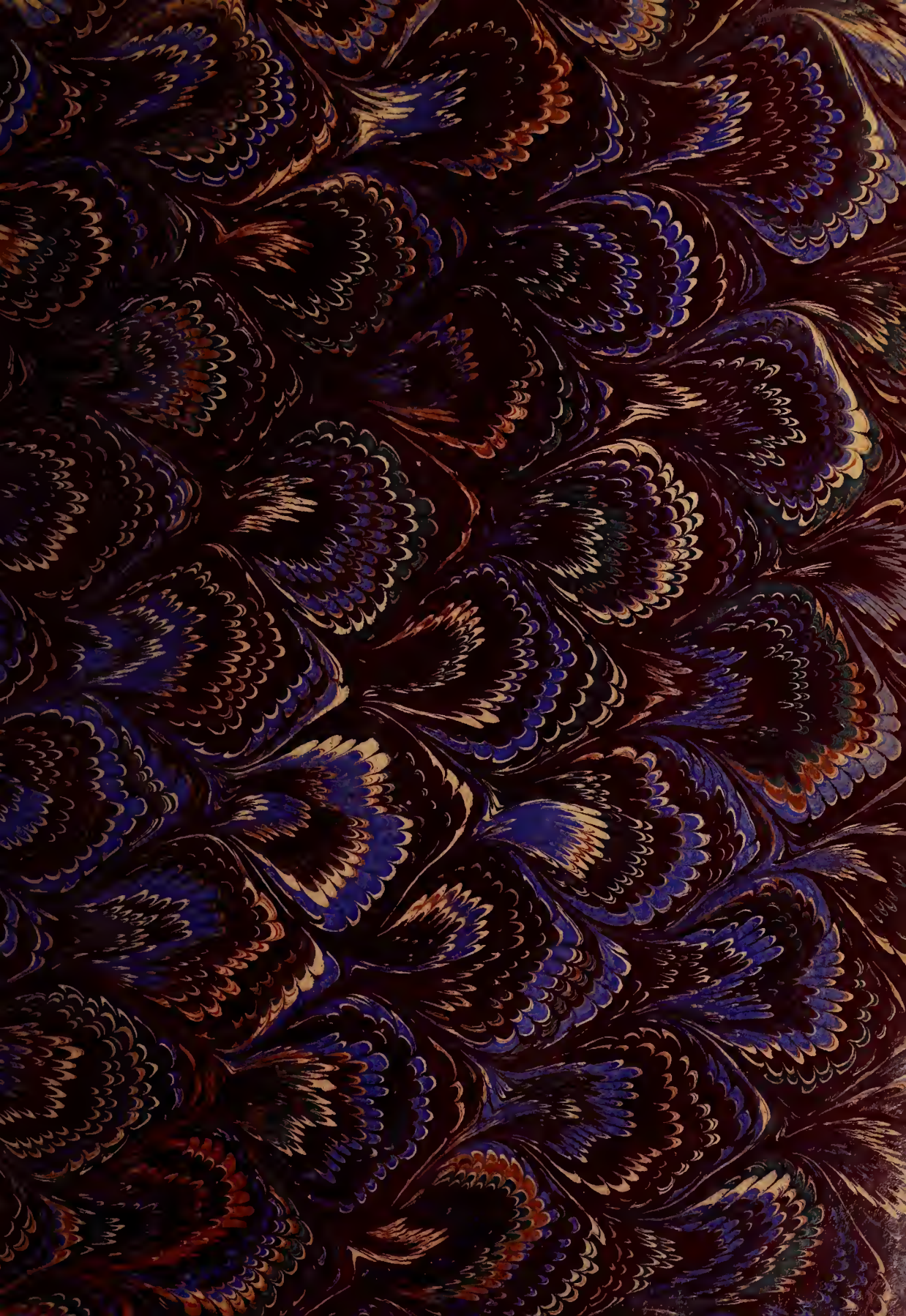

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BUYING BOOKS.

HOW easily one may distinguish a genuine lover of books from the worldly man. With what subdued and yet glowing enthusiasm does he gaze upon the costly front of a thousand embattled volumes. How gently he draws them down, as if they were little children. How tenderly he handles them. He peers at the title-page, at the text, or the notes, with the nicety of a bird examining a flower. He studies the binding: the leather—Russia, English calf, morocco; the lettering, the gilding, the edging, the hinge of the cover. He opens it, and shuts it, he holds it off, and brings it nigh. It suffuses his whole body with book-magnetism. He walks up and down, in amaze at the mysterious allotments of Providence that gives so much money to men who spend it upon their appetites, and so little to men who would spend it in benevolence or upon their refined tastes! It is astonishing, too, how one's necessities multiply in the presence of the supply. One never knows how many things it is impossible to do without till he goes to the house-furnishing stores. One is surprised to perceive, at some bazaar, or fancy and variety store, how many conveniences he needs. He is satisfied that his life must have been utterly inconvenient aforetime. And thus, too, one is inwardly convicted at a book-store of having lived for years without books which he is now satisfied that one cannot live without.

Then, too, the subtle process by which the man convinces himself that he can afford to buy. No subtle manager or broker ever saw through a maze of financial embarassments half so quick as a poor book-buyer sees his way clear to pay for what he must have. He promises himself marvels of retrenchment, he will eat less, or less costly viands, that he may buy more food for the mind. He will take an extra patch, and go on with his raiment another year, and buy books instead of coats. Yea, he will write books, that he may buy books. He will lecture, teach, trade, he will do any honest thing for money to buy books, the appetite is insatiable. Feeding does not satisfy him. It rages by the fuel which is put on. As a hungry man eats first, and pays afterward, so the book-buyer purchases, and then works at the debt afterward. This paying is rather medicinal. It cures for a time. But a relapse takes place. The same longing, the same promises of self-denial. He promises himself to put spurs on both heels of his industry; and then besides all this, he will *somehow* get along when the time for payment comes! Ah! this *somehow*! That word is as big as a whole world, and is stuffed with all the vagaries and fantasies that Fancy every bred upon Hope.

And yet, is there not some comfort in buying books *to be* paid for? We have heard of a sot who wished his neck as long as a worm of a still, that he might so much the longer enjoy the flavour of the draught! Thus, it is a prolonged excitement of purchase, if you feel for six months in a slight doubt whether the book is honestly your own or not. Had you paid down, that would have been the end of it. There would have been no affectionate and beseeching look of your books at you, every time you saw them, saying, as plain as a book's eyes can say, "Do not let me be taken from you."

Moreover, buying books before you can pay for them promotes caution. You do not feel at liberty to take them home. You are married. Your wife keeps an account book. She knows to a penny what you can and what you cannot afford. She has no speculation in her eyes. Plain figures make desperate work with airy somehows. It is a matter of no small skill and experience to get your books home, and into their proper places undiscovered. Perhaps the blundering express brings them to the door just at evening. "What is it my dear."? She says to you. "Oh! nothing, a few books that I cannot do without."

That smile! A true housewife that loves her husband can smile a whole arithmetic at him in one look. Of course she insists in the kindest way, in sympathizing with you in your literary acquisition. She cuts the string of the bundle (and of your heart), and out comes the whole story. You have brought a complete set of costly English books, full bound in calf, extra gilt. You are caught, and feel very much as if you were bound in calf yourself, and admirably lettered.

Now, this must not happen frequently. The books must be smuggled home. Let them be sent to some near place, then, when your wife has a headache, or is out making a call, or has lain down, run the books across the frontier and threshold, hastily undo them, stop only for one loving glance as you put them away in the closet, or behind other books on the shelf, or on the topmost shelf. Clear away the twine and wrapping-paper, and every suspicious circumstance. Be very careful not

to be too kind. That often brings on detection. Only the other day we heard it said somewhere, "Why, how good you have been lately! I am really afraid that you have been carrying on mischief secretly." Our heart smote us. It was a fact. That very day we had bought a few books which "we could not do without." After a while you can bring out one volume, accidentally, and leave it on the table. "Why, my dear *what* a beautiful book! Where *did* you borrow it?" You glance over the newspaper, with the quietest tone you can command. "That, oh! that is *mine*. Have you not seen it before? It has been in the house these two months;" and you rush on with anecdote and incident, and point out the binding and that peculiar trick of gilding and everything else you can think of: but it all will not do; you cannot rub out that roguish, arithmetical smile. People may talk about the equality of the sexes. They are not equal. The silent smile of a loving sensible woman will vanquish ten men. Of course you repent, and in time form a habit of repenting.

Another method, which will be found peculiarly effective, is to make a *present* of some fine work to your wife. Of course, whether she or you have the name of buying it, it will go into your collection and be yours to all intents and purposes. But it stops remarks in the presentation. A wife could not reprove you for so kindly thinking of her. No matter what she suspects she will say nothing. And then if there are three or four more works which have come home with the gift-book, they will pass through the favour of the other.

These are pleasures denied to wealth and old bachelors. Indeed, one cannot imagine the peculiar pleasure of buying books, if one is rich and stupid. There must be some pleasure, or so many would not do it. But the full flavour, the whole relish of delight, only comes to those who are so poor that they must engineer for every book. They sit down before them, and besiege them. They are captured. Each book has a secret history of ways and means. It reminds you of subtle devices by which you insured and made it yours, in spite of poverty.

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For the convenience of people residing in Silvertown and neighbourhood, a delivery station for books has been opened at the Silvertown Evening Reading Room. Voucher forms, Catalogues, &c., can be obtained there between the hours of 6—10 p.m., and at Stratford and Canning Town Libraries between 10 a.m. and 9 p.m. The delivery station is open for the issue and return of books on Mondays and Thursdays in each week, between the hours of 7 and 9 p.m.

Among the new books added to the libraries during the last quarter is a fine collection—"The International Library of Famous Literature," edited by Dr. Richard Garnett.

Some good up-to-date books on the Transvaal, Boers, South Africa, &c., have recently been added to the library; also a number of works on teaching, theory of education, &c., by Froebel, Pestalozzi, Rousseau, and other authorities.

The Subject-Index to General and Periodical Literature, which has been in preparation for some time past, is rapidly approaching completion.

An Index to the minutes of the West Ham Town Council and Reports of Committees, has been compiled, and placed in the Reference Library for the use of readers.

The next Hand List—No. 4—which will be published in conjunction with this number of "Library Notes," will consist of a special list of books relating to South Africa, the Transvaal, &c. It will also contain a large number of references to important articles in periodicals and books, reprinted from the "Contents—Subject-Index to General and Periodical Literature," now being prepared for the press by the Chief Librarian. The Hand List will be of service to all interested in the Transvaal crisis, and will be given to each purchaser of "Library Notes."

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Bible. Notes for Bible Readings, by S. R. Briggs and John H. Elliott, 1877. 731 A

Written with a view to stimulate a systematic study of the Bible.

The Expositor. Vol. IX. (5th series). Edited by W. R. Nicoll, 1899. 849 A

Christianity. History of Christianity, from the birth of Christ to the abolition of Paganism in the Roman Empire, by Henry Hart Milman, 3 vols., 1867. 1151 A

History of Latin Christianity, including that of the Popes to the Pontificate of Nicolas V., by Henry Hart Milman, 9 vols., 1872. 1153 A

This is a continuation of the above to the Extinction of Paganism in the Roman Empire.

The Creed of Christendom: its foundations contrasted with its superstructure, by W. R. Greg, 2 vols., 1892. 872 A

Church. Bygone Church Life in Scotland, by William Andrews, 1899. 709 A

Deals with such subjects as Bell Lore, Holy-Wells, Church Music, Witchcraft, Marriage Laws and Customs, &c.

Old Church Life, by William Andrews, 1900. 710 A

Treats of many curious subjects such as wedding customs, burials without coffins, keeping order in church, troublesome Quakers, Parson-publicans, Curates, crooked spires, &c.

Freethought. A short history of Freethought, ancient and modern, by John M. Robertson, 1899. 929 A

Jews. The History of the Jews, from the earliest period down to modern times, by Henry Hart Milman, 3 vols., 1883. 1152 A

Oxford Movement. Secret History of the Oxford Movement, by Walter Walsh, 1899. 143 A

Paul (Saint). The Gospel of Paul the Apostle; an attempt to render in modern English the principal writings of St. Paul, and the contemporaneous narrative of his trusty companion, Luke, the beloved physician, 1892. 950 A

Religion. History of the conflict between Religion and Science, by J. W. Draper, 1896. 301 A

Story of Religions, by Rev. E. D. Price, 1898. 112 A

Indicates the leading principles which underlie the great religions of the world; shows how these beliefs have arisen, and how they have developed in the history of mankind.

The Psychology of Religion: an empirical study of the growth of Religious consciousness, by E. D. Starbuck, 1899. 631 A

Yet, by F. R. Andrews, 1897. 166 A

Comments on a number of passages from Scripture containing the word "Yet."

Romanism. Modern Romanism Examined, by Rev. H. W. Wearden, 1899. 51 A

A temperate statement of present-day Romanism.

Biography and History.

Africa. South Africa: The Cape Colony, Natal, Orange Free State, South African Republic, Rhodesia, and all other territories south of the Zambesi, by G. M'Call Theal [Story of Nations] 1900. 3134 B

Alexander III. (of Russia). Life, by Charles Lowe, 1895. 3665 B

Australia. Australian Commonwealth, by Greville Tregarthen [Story of the Nations Series], 1893. 3143 B

Includes New South Wales, Tasmania, Victoria, Western Australia, South Australia, Queensland, and New Zealand.

Berry (Charles A.) A memoir, by J. S. Drummond, 1899. 159 B

Biography. British Historical Biographies, from 1502 to 1557. 1846. 3065 B

Bismarck (Otto Von). Bismarck and the foundation of the German Empire, by J. W. Headlam [Heroes of the Nations], 1899. 3163 B

Boers. The Transvaal and the Boers: a short history of the South African Republic, with a chapter on the Orange Free State, by W. E. Garrett Fisher, 1900. 3764 B

Among much interesting matter, this work contains an account of the ten years' struggle between the Boers and Uitlanders for supremacy in the Transvaal.

The Transvaal Boers: a historical sketch, by Africanus, 1899. 3132 B

A complete summary of the history of the Transvaal Boers.

The Transvaal Boer speaking for himself, by C. N. J. Du Plessis, 1898. 3717 B

Boer War (1881). A narrative of the Boer War, its causes and results, by T. F. Carter, 1900. 3769 B

An endeavour to give a truthful and impartial narrative of the affairs concerning the Transvaal. Treats of the direct causes of the War, with accounts of the Battle-fields, the Peace, and a journey through the Transvaal.

The Last Boer War, by H. Rider Haggard, 1899. 3716 B

A brief account of the Boer rebellion of 1881, its causes and results.

Bosco (Don). Life of Don Bosco, founder of the Silesian Society, by J. M. Villefranche. 12 B

Browning (Robert). Letters of Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett Barrett, 1845-1846, 2 vols., 1899. 191 B

Colley (Sir George Pomeroy). Life, by Sir W. F. Butler, 1899. 968 B

This life covers the period from 1835 to 1881; including services in Kaffraria, China, Ashanti, India, and Natal.

Crimean War. Letters from the Black Sea during the Crimean War 1854—1855, by Admiral Sir L. G. Heath, 1897. 3679 B

A series of letters beginning with the declaration of war, and ending with the fall of Sebastopol.

Cromwell (Oliver). Cromwell's Place in History, by Samuel Rawson Gardiner, 1898. 3199 B

Froebel (Friedrich). Autobiography, translated by E. Michaelis and H. K. Moore, 1899. 380 B

Gray (David). Letters. Poems, and selected prose writings, edited with a biographical memoir, by J. N. Larned, 1888. 37 B

Greece. Greece in the Nineteenth Century: a record of Hellenic emancipation and progress, 1821—1897, by L. Sergeant, 1897. 3980 B

Hawker (Robert Stephen, Vicar of Morwenstow). Life, by S. Baring-Gould, 1899. 447 B

Irving (Henry). A Record and Review, by C. Hiatt, 1899. [Illustrated]. 488 B

Man, Isle of. From King Orry to Queen Victoria: a short and concise history of the Isle of Man, by Edward Callow, 1899. 3818 B

A concise history—constitutional, political, ecclesiastical, legendary, and general.

Normans. The Normans: told chiefly in relation to their conquest of England, by Sarah Orne Jewett [Story of the Nations Series], 1891. 3231 B

Pestalozzi (Antony). Pestalozzi, his life and work, by Roger De Guimps, 1890. 654 B

Portugal. Portugal, by H. Morse Stephens [Story of the Nations Series], 1891. 3640 B

Selwyn (George, *Wit and Politician, died* 1791). Life and Letters, edited by E. S. Roscoe and Helen Clergue, 1899. 1243 B

Stevenson (Robert Louis). Letters to his Family and Friends, edited by Sidney Colvin, 2 vols., 1900. 1326 B

Tasmanians. The Lost Tasmanian Race, by James Bonwick, 1884. 3712 B

An account of the Aborigines of Tasmania.

United Kingdom. The United Kingdom: a political history, by Goldwin Smith, 2 vols., 1899. 3925 B

Written with a view to give the ordinary reader a clear, connected, and succinct view of the political history of the United Kingdom as it appears in the light of recent research and discussion.

Travels and Topography.

Africa. Guide to South Africa, for the use of tourists, sportsmen, invalids, and settlers, with maps, plans, &c., edited by A. S. and G. G. Brown, 1900. 5 C

History of South Africa to the Jameson Raid, being Vol. 4, Part I., of "A Historical Geography of the British Colonies," by C. P. Lucas, 1899. 370 C

Side Lights on South Africa, by Roy Devereux, 1899. 6 C

Deals with politics at the Cape, the evolution of Rhodesia, Kimberley as it is, a visit to Pretoria and what is to be seen there, &c.

Some South African Recollections, by Mrs. Lionel Phillips, 1900. 1111 C

Deals with the Reform movement in the Transvaal.

America. North America, by Prof. F. V. Hayden and Prof. A. R. C. Selwyn [Stanford's Compendium], 1883. 803 C

Bath Road. The Bath Road: history, fashion, and frivolity on an old highway, by C. G. Harper, 1899. [Illustrated]. 901 C

Cathedrals. English Cathedrals illustrated, by F. Bond, 1899. 63 C

An attempt to make the study of the English Cathedrals more interesting. The cathedrals dealt with include :—Bristol, Canterbury, Carlisle, Chester, Chichester, Durham, Ely, Exeter, Gloucester, Hereford, Lichfield, Lincoln, London, Norwich, Oxford, Peterborough, Ripon, Rochester, St. Albans, Salisbury, Southwell, Wells, Winchester, Worcester, York, Victorian Cathedrals—Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle, Truro, Wakefield.

Devonshire. A Book of the West: being an introduction to Devon and Cornwall, by S. Baring-Gould. Vol. I.—Devon. 1899. 50 C

Hausaland. Hausaland; or, 1500 miles through the Central Soudan, by Chas. Henry Robinson, 1896. 958 C

Japan. In Ghostly Japan, by L. Hearn, 1899. 562 C

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Besides dealing with Cromer and other spots in Norfolk, there are sketches of French and Swiss scenery.

Transvaal. Pictorial History of South Africa and the Transvaal, edited by C. N. Robinson [illustrated], 1900. 800 C

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ON THE STUDY AND USE OF HISTORY.

THE love of history seems inseparable from human nature, because it seems inseparable from self-love. The same principal in this instance carries us forward and backward, to future and to past ages. We imagine that the things which affect us, must affect posterity: this sentiment runs through mankind from Cæsar down to the parish clerk in Pope's Miscellany. We are fond of preserving, as far as it is in our frail power, the memory of our own adventures, of those of our own time, and of those that preceded it. Rude heaps of stones have been raised, and ruder hymns have been composed for this purpose, by nations who have not yet the use of arts and letters. To go no farther back, the triumphs of Odin were celebrated in Runic songs, and the feats of our British ancestors were recorded in those of their bards. The savages of America had the same interesting custom, and long historical ballads of their huntings and their wars were sung at all their festivals. There is no need of saying how this passion grows among civilised nations in proportion to the means of gratifying it; but let us observe that the same principal of nature directs us as strongly, and more generally as well as more early, to indulge our own curiosity, instead of preparing to gratify that of others. The child harkens with delight to the tales of his nurse; he learns to read, and he devours with eagerness fabulous legends and novels; in riper years he applies himself to history, or to that which he takes for history, to authorised romance, and even in age, the desire of knowing what has happened to other men yields to the desire alone of relating what has happened to ourselves. Thus history, true or false, speaks to our passions always. What a pity it is that even the best should speak to our understandings so seldom? That it does so, we have none to blame but ourselves. Nature has done her part. She has opened this study to every man who can read and think, and what she has made the most agreeable, reason can make the most useful application of our minds. But if we consult our reason, we shall be far from following the examples of our fellow-creatures, in this as in most other cases, who are so proud of being rational. We shall neither read to soothe our indolence, nor to gratify our vanity; as little shall we content ourselves to drudge like grammarians and critics, that others may be able to study with greater ease and profit, like philosophers and statesmen; as little shall we affect the slender merit of becoming great scholars at the expense of groping all our lives in the dark mazes of antiquity. All these mistake the true drift of study and the true use of history. Nature gave us curiosity to excite the industry of our minds; but she never intended it should be made the principal, much less the sole object of their application. The true and proper object of this application is a constant improvement in private and in public virtue. An application to any study that tends neither directly nor indirectly to make us better men and better citizens, is at best but a specious and ingenious sort of idleness, to use an expression of Tillotson, and the knowledge we acquire by it is a creditable kind of ignorance, nothing more. This creditable kind of ignorance is, probably, the whole benefit which the generality of men, even of the most learned, reap from the study of history, and yet the study of history seems, of all other, the most proper to train us up to private and public virtue.

What then is the true use of history? In what may it serve to make us better and wiser? And what method is to be pursued in the study of it for attaining these great ends? This may be answered by quoting what appears somewhere or other in Dionysius Halicarnassensis that history is philosophy, teaching by examples. We need but to cast our eyes on the world, and we shall see the daily force of example; we need but to turn them inward, and we shall soon discover why example has this force: "Panci prudentia," says Tacitus, "honesta ab deterioribus, utilia ab noxiis discernunt; plures aliorem eventis docentur." Such is the imperfection of human understanding, such the frail temper of our minds, that abstract or general propositions, though ever so true, appear obscure and doubtful to us very often, till they are explained by examples, and that the wisest lessons in favour of virtue go but a little way to convince the judgment and determine the will, unless they are enforced by the same means, and we are obliged to apply to ourselves what we see may happen to other men. Instructions by precept have the further disadvantage of coming on the authority of others, and frequently require a long deduction of reasoning. "Homines amplius oculis

quam oribus credunt: longum iter est per praecepta, breve et efficax per exempla." The reason of this judgment, which is quoted from one of Seneca's epistles, rests on this; that when examples are pointed out to us, there is a kind of appeal, with which we are flattered, made to our senses, as well as our understandings. The instruction comes then upon our own authority: we frame the precept after our own experience, and yield to fact when we resist speculation. But this is not the only advantage of instruction by example; for example appeals not to our understanding alone, but to our passions likewise. Example assuages these or animates them; sets passion on the side of judgment, and makes the whole man of a piece; which is more than the strongest reasoning and the clearest demonstration can do; and thus forming habits by repetition, example secures the observance of those precepts which example insinuated. Is it not Pliny who says that the gentlest, he should have added the most effectual, way of commanding is by example? "Mitius jubetur exemplo." The harshest orders are softened by example, and tyranny itself becomes persuasive. What a pity it is, that so few princes have learned this way of commanding. But again: the force of example is not confined to those alone, who pass immediately under our sight: the examples that memory suggests, have the same effect in their degree, and a habit of recalling them will soon produce the habit of imitating them. In the same epistle, Seneca says that Cleanthes had never become so perfect a copy of Zeno if he had not passed his life with him; that Plato, Aristotle, and the other philosophers of that school, profited more by the example than by the discourse of Socrates. (But here, by the way, Seneca mistook; for Socrates died two years, according to some, and four years according to others, before the birth of Aristotle; and his mistake might come from the inaccuracy of those who collected for him, as Erasmus observes, after Quintilian, in his judgment on Seneca). But be this, which was scarcely worth a parenthesis, as it will; he adds that Metrodorus, Hermachus, and Polyaenus, men of great note, were formed by living under the same roof with Epicurus, not by frequenting his school. These are instances of the force of immediate example. But we know that the citizens of Rome placed the images of their ancestors in the vestibules of their houses: so that, whenever they went in or out, these venerable busts met their eyes, and recalled the glorious actions of the dead to fire the living, to excite them to imitate and even to emulate their great forefathers. The success answered the design. The virtue of one generation was transfused, by the magic of example into several; and a spirit of heroism was maintained through many ages of the commonwealth. Now these are so many instances of the force of remote example; and from all these instances we may conclude, that examples of both kinds are necessary.

The school of example is the world: and the masters of this school are history and experience. We are far from contending that the former is preferable to the latter. I think upon the whole otherwise: but this I say, that the former is absolutely necessary to prepare us for the latter, and to accompany us while we are under the discipline of the latter, that is through the whole course of our lives. No doubt some few men may be quoted, to whom Nature gave what art and industry can give to no man. But such examples will prove nothing against our contention, because we admit that the study of history, without experience, is insufficient; but assert, that experience itself is so without genius. Genius is preferable to the other two; but it is desirable to find the three together: for how great soever a genius may be, and how much soever he may acquire new light and heat, as he proceeds in his rapid course, certain it is that he will never shine with the full lustre, nor shed the full influence he is capable of, unless to his own experience he adds the experience of other men and other ages.

Genius, without the improvement, at least of experience, is what comets once were thought to be, a blazing meteor irregular in his course, and dangerous in his approach; of no use to any system, and able to destroy any. Mere sons of earth, if they have experience without any knowledge of the history of the world, are but half scholars in the science of mankind. And if they are conversant in history without experience, they are worse than ignorant; they are pedants, always incapable, sometimes meddling and presuming. The man who has all three, is an honour to his country and a public blessing.

Obituary.

It is with great regret that we learn of the death of Mr. H. J. Hollingsworth, a former member of the Public Libraries Committee, and its chairman, in 1892-3. It is also of interest to note that he was a member of the first Town Council of West Ham in 1886. Mr. Hollingsworth's services on the Committee were of great value, as, being a man of scholarly instincts and pursuits, he took great interest in the progress of the Library, which he showed by frequent visits and consultations with the librarian on the work of that institution. It was during his chairmanship that the Canning Town Library was organised, and finally opened by Mr. J. Passmore Edwards, and it was largely due to his constant attention and the kindly support he gave to the staff, that this institution was so successfully launched for public use. His painful illness, and sudden death at the early age of 40, as also the fact that his widow is left with a family of six little children, will cause much sorrow, and a widely felt sympathy with her in her bereavement.

The Library staff have grateful remembrance of the never-failing and kindly encouragement he gave them while a member of the Committee. His portrait appears in this number.

Jottings.

A Portrait of the late Mr. H. J. Hollingsworth, a former Chairman of the Libraries Committee, and a view of the Salford Public Library and Museum appears in this number.

A feature of this issue of "Library Notes" is the addition to the Canning Town Library of a full set of Ruskin's works, an acquisition which is certain to be much appreciated, judging by the popularity of the two or three which were already on the shelves there. It has been thought advisable to give extensive notes to this collection. The Central Reference Library has for some years possessed a set of the large and valuable illustrated edition.

Mr. Archer P. Crouch, author of the new work, "Silvertown and neighbourhood," recently published, made extensive use of the Essex Collection in the Central Library while writing the book. Several of Mr. Crouch's novels will be found in the Lending Department.

Mr. G. H. McCall, librarian of the Belsize Branch of the Hampstead Public Libraries, has recently been appointed first Librarian of Limehouse in the new borough of Stepney. Mr. McCall received his training in the West Ham Libraries.

The Great Eastern Railway Company have presented to the Libraries copies of their guides to East Coast watering places. These will be found in both the Central and Canning Town Lists under the section Travel, &c.

A hand list of books on Topography (Holiday Resorts) has been prepared for the convenience of the many who at this season of the year are thinking of taking rest and change away from home. This hand list will be presented to each purchaser of "Notes," and to any other reader upon application at the libraries.

Some copies of other special hand lists recently issued are still available for distribution to those specially interested in the subjects dealt with, viz:—"Transvaal and South Africa," "Electricity," "Social Science," and "Natural History." The two latter were prepared specially for the use of students attending the recent University Extension Lectures.

For the benefit of the large number of teachers in West Ham and in view of the increased interest now taken in systems and methods of education, the collection of educational literature in the libraries is being gradually augmented.

List of Donors to the West Ham Public Libraries since March, 1900.

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Anti-Slavery Society, London.
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Caledonian Railway Company, Glasgow.
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Great Eastern Railway Company.
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Ruskin Museum Committee, Sheffield.
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Stubbs' Publishing Company, London.
Unwin (T. Fisher), Publisher, London.
Vallance (Dr.), Stratford.
West Ham School Board.
Willing & Co., London.
Wilson & Sons, Hull.

Selection of Books recently added to the Libraries.

CENTRAL LIBRARY, STRATFORD.

Religion, &c.

Bible. The Expositor, edited by W. R. Nicoll, vol. 10, 5th series, 1899. 850 A

Monasticism. Life in a Modern Monastery, by J. McCabe, 1898. 91 A

Describes how Monasteries are built; social life and work of the Friars; discipline and punishment; fasting and feasting of the brethern, &c.

Monasticism.

Twelve years in a Monastery, by J. McCabe, 1897. 1166 A

Of some local interest, dealing as it does with a Forest Gate monastic institution.

Philosophy. History of English Thought in the Eighteenth Century, by Leslie Stephen, 2 vols., 1881. 960 A

Religion. Phases of Faith; or, passages from the history of my Creed, by F. W. Newman, 1874. 513 A

The Religion of the Twentieth Century, by J. McCabe, 1899. 1165 A

Deals with the right and duty of Reason, effect of science on Religion, authority and morality, &c.

Studies in Religious Fallacy, by J. M. Robertson, 1900. 573 A

CONTENTS—Dogma in Masquerade: Mr. Lang on the Origin of Religion; and on Miracles. The Tory Religion. Mr. Gladstone on the Atonement; and on Butler. The Jesus Legend and the myth of the Twelve Apostles. The myth of Judas Iscariot. Freeman on Christianity. Tolstoy and the Ethics of Jesus. The feeling for Religion.

Revelation. Progressive Revelation; or, Through Nature to God, by E. M. Caillard, 1895. 35 A

Theosophy. Theosophy briefly explained, written and edited by various students, 1897. 132 A

Biography and History.

Africa (South). The war in South Africa, its causes and effects, by J. A. Hobson, 1900. 3759 B & R L

See also Ladysmith, Majuba, Transvaal, &c.

Alexander the Great: the merging of East and West in Universal History, by B. I. Wheeler. [Heroes of the Nations Series], 1900. 3529 B

Buller (Sir Redvers). Story of his Life and Campaigns, by W. Jerrold, 1900. 195 B

Charles VI. Charles VI., Les Armagnacs et Les Bourguignons, by M. Todière, 1880. 3974 B

England. England in the Age of Wycliffe, by G. M. Trevelyan; with an Appendix entitled The Peasants' Rising and the Lollards, edited by E. Powell and G. M. Trevelyan, 2 vols., 1899. 3930 B

Europe. The making of Europe, a simple account of the origin and formation of the principal Countries and States of Modern Europe, by "Nemo," 1900. 3339 B

Hungary. Hungary in Ancient, Mediæval, and Modern Times, by A. Vambéry and D. Heilprin, 1897. 3548 B

Kruger (Paul). His Life Story, by F. A. McKenzie, 1900. 509 B

Ladysmith. Ladysmith, the Diary of a Siege, by H. W. Nevinson, 1900. 3612 B

Letters reprinted from the "Daily Chronicle."

London to Ladysmith viâ Pretoria, by Winston Spencer Churchill, 1900. 3613 B

A personal record of adventures and impressions during the first five months of the African War.

See also Africa (South), &c.

Latimer (Hugh). Life, by R. M. and A. J. Carlyle. [Leaders of Religion Series], 1899. 547 B

Majuba. Bronkerspruit, Ingogo, Laing's Nek, Krugersdorp, by Hamish Hendry, 1900. 3718 B

Navy. Naval Yarns, edited by W. H. Long, 1899. 3731 B

Nelson (Lord). Nelson's Friendships, by Mrs. H. Gamlin, 2 vols., 1899. 1185 B

See note in Canning Town list.

New Zealand. History of New Zealand from the arrival of Tasman in Golden Bay in 1642 to 1893, by A. Saunders. 2 vols., 1896-9. 3615 B

Plevna. The Defence of Plevna, 1877, written by one who took part in it, by W. V. Herbert, 1895. 3714 B

Roberts (Lord, of Kandahar). Life Story, by W. Jerrold. 56 B

Russell (Sir Edward). That Reminds Me—1900. 1224 B

A book of anecdotes and reminiscences.

Scotland. A History of Scotland, from the Roman Occupation, by Andrew Lang. Vol. I., 1900. 4017 B

Examines the elements and forces that went to the making of the Scottish people, and records the more important events which occurred between the Roman occupation and the death of Cardinal Beaton in 1546.

Thring (Edward, *Headmaster of Uppingham School*). Life, Diary and Letters, by G. R. Parkin, 1900. 798 B

Transvaal War. The Natal Campaign, by Bennet Burleigh, 1900. 3611 B

Towards Pretoria: a record of the War between Briton and Boer to the hoisting of the British flag at Bloemfontein, by Julian Ralph, 1900. 3715 B

Transvaal War.

The Transvaal Trouble, and how it arose, being an extract from the Biography of the late Sir Bartle Frere, by J. Martineau, 1899. 3039 B

See also Africa (South), Ladysmith, &c.

Verdi (Guiseppe). Verdi: Man and Musician: his biography with especial reference to his English experiences, by F. J. Crowest, 1897. 1445 B

Victoria (Queen). Life of Queen Victoria, by R. F. Holmes, 1897. R L

Contains an accurate account of the childhood and youth of the Queen, and deals chiefly with personal, not public, events. The illustrations are a great feature of the work.

Women. Twelve Notable Good Women of the Nineteenth Century, by Rosa N. Carey, 1890. 854 B

CONTENTS. — H.M. Queen Victoria, Florence Nightingale, Elizabeth Fry, Baroness Burdett-Coutts, Princess of Wales, Duchess of Teck, Sister Dora, Agnes Weston, Grace Darling, Princess Alice, Lady Henry Somerset, Frances Ridley Havergal.

Travels and Topography.

Africa (South). South Africa in Peace and War, edited by C. L. Neil, 1900. R L

Caravan Life. A Parish on Wheels, by Rev. J. Howard Swinstead. 1096 C

Colchester. The History and Description of the Walls of Colchester (Colonia Camulodunum), by P. M. Duncan, 1855. R L

Dovercourt. Interesting Dovercourt, Essex, with a description of the miraculous Rood of Dovercourt, 1900. R L

Eastern Counties. Pictorial Guide to the Eastern Counties, with 200 Views of East Anglia, 1900. R L

Kent. Official Guide to the South Eastern and Chatham Railway, and to the Kent Coast, 1900. 152 C

Lowestoft. New Pictorial and Descriptive Guide to Lowestoft, with excursions to Norwich, The Broads, Yarmouth, &c. [illustrated], 1900. 2 C

Merchant Service. Log of a Sea Waif: being recollections of the first four years of my sea life, by F. T. Bullen, 1899. 1089 C

Oxford. University of Oxford, College Histories, Christ Church, by H. L. Thompson, 1900. R L

University of Oxford, College Histories, Worcester College, by C. H. Daniel, and W. R. Barker, 1900. R L

Portsmouth. Guide to Portsmouth, Southsea and Neighbourhood, edited by H. T. Lilley, 1899. 149 C

Queensland. Guide to Queensland, by C. S. Rutlidge, 1898. 1026 C

Scotland. Highlands of Scotland in 1750, from Manuscript 104 in the King's Library, British Museum, with an introduction by Andrew Lang, 1898. 1031 C

Spain. The Land of the Castanet: Spanish Sketches, by H. C. C. Taylor, 1897. 682 C

Travels. Travel and Talk, 1885-95, by Rev. H. R. Haweis. 2 Vols. 1897. 10 C

Account of a hundred thousand miles of travel through America, Australia, Tasmania, Canada, New Zealand, Ceylon, and the Paradises of the Pacific.

For Tourists' Books *see also* Canning Town list.

Social Questions, Politics, &c.

Africa (South). British policy in South Africa, by Spencer Wilkinson, 1899. 842 D

Finance. The real history of Money Island, by M. Flürscheim, 1897. 797 D

The Theory of the Foreign Exchanges, by Right Hon. G. J. Goschen, 1898. R L

Labour. John Bull, Esq.: A series of addresses upon Capital and Labour, by "Elihu." 763 D

Law. Curiosities of Law and Lawyers, by C. James, 1896. 402 D

Parliament. The House of Commons, by Sir R. Temple, 1899. 838 D

This book is intended to serve as a short and easy manual for those who may desire to acquire a fundamental idea of the House of Commons as it is to-day.

Patriotism. Patriotism and Empire, by J. M. Robertson, 1900. 850 D

Political Economy. The Scope and Method of Political Economy, by J. N. Keynes, 1897. R L

Progress. National progress in the Queen's reign, 1837-1897, by M. G. Mulhall, 1897. 735 D

West Ham School Board. School Board of the Borough of West Ham: Annual Report of the Board's Schools, December, 1899. R L

Woman. Woman in the Past, Present, and Future, by August Bebel. R L

Science and Art, &c.

Archæology. Life in early Britain, by B. C. A. Windle, 1897. 1656 E

An account of the early inhabitants of this island and the memorials which they have left behind them; will serve as a good introduction to the larger works on the subject by Sir John Evans, Professor Boyd Dawkins, and others.

Architecture. Architecture in Italy from the sixth to the eleventh century, with historical and critical researches, by R. Cattaneo, 1896. R L

A History of Gothic Art in England, by E. S. Prior, 1900. R L

Biology. Biological Experimentation: its function and limits, by Sir B. W. Richardson, 1896. 130 E

Botany. Botany for beginners, by E. Evans, 1899. 8 E

Lessons in Elementary Botany, the part of Systematic Botany based upon material left in manuscript by the late Professor Henslow, by D. Oliver, 1895. 377 E

Building Construction. Building Construction for beginners, by J. W. Riley, 1899. 426 E

Building. Houses for the Working Classes in Urban Districts; comprising 30 typical and improved plans arranged in groups, with elevations for each, &c., by S. W. Cranfield and H. I. Potter, 1900. R L

Chemistry. Inorganic Chemistry for advanced Students, by Sir H. Roscoe and A. Harden, 1899. 465 E

Twenty lessons in Inorganic Chemistry, by W. G. Valentin. 466 E

Children. Little Folk of Many Lands, by L. J. Miln, 1899. 1992 E

Christian Science. Christian Science History: A statement of facts relating to the authorship of the Christian Science Text-Book, "Science and Health, with key to the Scriptures," by S. J. Hanna, 1899. 489 E

Debating. Public Speaking and Debate: a manual for Advocates and Agitators, by G. J. Holyoake. 1779 E

Education. Application of Psychology to the Science of Education, by J. F. Herbart, edited with notes and an introduction to the study of Herbart, by B. C. Mulliner, 1898. 1756 E

Introduction to Herbart's Science and Practice of Education, by H. M. and E. Felkin, 1895. 1754 E

Education.

Science of Education: its general principles reduced from its aim and the æsthetic revelation of the World, by J. F. Herbart, 1897. 1755 E

For another work of Herbart's, see Canning Town list.

Electricity. Magnetism and Electricity for Beginners, by H. E. Hadley, 1899. 561 E

Polyphase Electric Currents and Alternate-Current motors, by S. P. Thompson, 1900. 1773 E

Euclid. Elements of Euclid for the use of Schools and Colleges, books 1-4, by I. Todhunter, revised and enlarged by S. L. Loney, 1899. 1083 E

French Language. Contes de Fées, tirés du Magazin des Enfants par Mme. le Prince de Beaumont, revised and edited with French-English Vocabulary, by V. Kastner, 1896. 908 E

Jeanne D'Arc par A. de Lamartine, edited with notes and a comprehensive Vocabulary, by V. Oger, 1891. 909 E

New Grammar of French Grammars, by Dr. V. De Fivas, 1898. 906 E

Public School French Grammar, by A. Brachet, adapted for English Schools by P. H. E. Brette and G. Masson, revised by E. Janu, 1897. 907 E

Gardening. Book of Gardening: a handbook of Horticulture, edited by W. D. Drury, 1900. R L

Man. History of Mankind, by Professor F. Ratzel, with introduction by E. B. Tylor, 3 vols., 1896-8. R L

Nervous System. Brain and Body: the Nervous System in Social Life, by Dr. A. Wilson, 1900. 73 E

Orchids. Various Contrivances by which Orchids are fertilized by Insects, by Charles Darwin, 1899. 395 E

Physics. Exercises in Practical Physics for Schools of Science, by R. A. Gregory and A. T. Simmons, 2 vols., 1899. 2230 E

Experimental Science: an elementary course of physics and chemistry adapted to the syllabus of the Science and Art Department, by R. A. Gregory and A. T. Simmons, 1899. 1825 E

Pottery. Pottery and Porcelain, a guide to collectors, by F. Litchfield, 1900. R L

Ships. The Ship: Her Story, by W. Clark Russell, 1899. R L

A popular account of the growth of sailing and passenger vessels.

Stairbuilding. A Treatise on Stairbuilding and Handrailing, by W. and A. Mowatt, 1900. R L

Telegraphy. A History of Wireless Telegraphy, 1838-1899, including some Bare-Wire proposals for subaqueous telegraphs, by J. J. Fahie, 1900. 605 E

Vegetable Mould. Formation of Vegetable Mould through the action of worms, with observations on their habits, by Charles Darwin, 1897. 1562 E

Prose Fiction.

Alexander (R.) The Vicar of St. Nicholas. 98 F

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Barrett (Wilson), and **Barron** (Elwyn). In Old New York. 4256 F

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Poetry, Mythology, &c.

Bain (R. N.) *Ed.* Cossack Fairy Tales and Folk Tales, 1894. 1007 G

——— Russian Fairy Tales, from the Skazki of Polevoi, 1893. 1008 G

——— Turkish Fairy Tales and Folk Tales, 1896. 1009 G

Beranger (Pierre Jean de). One Hundred Songs, with translations by W. Young, 1847. R L

Dante. Twenty-five Cantos from the Divina Commedia translated into English Verse by C. Potter, 1897. 294 G

Derry (E.) Rhymes of Road, Rail and River. 315 G

Partridge (S. W.) Beads without a String: Brief Thoughts on Many Subjects. 627 G

——— Jesus at Nazareth: a metrical monograph 628 G

——— Our English Months. 629 G

Describes the various aspects of the year from January to December.

Phillips (Stephen). Paolo and Francesca, a Tragedy in Four Acts, 1900. 637 G

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Rossetti (Dante Gabriel). Poetical Works, edited by W. M. Rossetti, 1898. 703 G

Miscellaneous Literature.

Bronte (Rev. Patrick). Bronteana: The Rev. Patrick Bronte, his collected Works and Life: and The Brontes of Ireland, edited by J. H. Turner, 1898. 676 H

Carroll (Lewis). The Lewis Carroll Picture Book, edited by S. D. Collingwood, 1899. 257 H

Harrison (F.) Tennyson, Ruskin, Mill, and other Literary Estimates, 1899. 762 H

CONTENTS. — Tennyson, Ruskin, Matthew Arnold, J. A. Symonds. On English Prose, the Book-Trotter, a dialogue. Lamb and Keats. New Memoirs of Gibbon. New Letters of Gibbon. The Historical Method of Froude. The Historical Method of Freeman. John Stuart Mill.

Lecky (W. E. H.) The Map of Life: Conduct and Character, 1900. 482 H

Meynell (Alice). The Children. 116 H

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Munthe (A.) Vagaries, 1898. 499 H

Pestalozzi (J. H.) Leonard and Gertrude, translated and abridged by E. Channing, 1898. 543 H

Raffety (F. W.) Books worth Reading: a plea for the best, and an essay towards selection, 1899. 814 H

Ruskin (John). Readings in "Fors Clavigera," 1871-1884, 1899. 3 H

A set of Ruskin's works in a large illustrated edition are in the Reference Library, while a set of the smaller edition has just been purchased for Canning Town (*see* Canning Town list).

Thoreau (Henry). Essays and other Writings. 4 H

A week on the Concord and Merrimac Rivers. 6 H

Walden, 1888. 5 H

Traill (H. D.) The New Lucian, being a series of Dialogues of the Dead, 1900. 671 H

Juvenile Literature.

Adams (H. C.) Ernest Hepburn, or Revenge and Forgiveness. 1417 J

America. Aunt Charlotte's Stories of American History, by C. M. Yonge and H. H. Weld, 1883. 1112 J

Armstrong (Jessie). Frank Horton's Heritage. 1471 J

Barmby (J.) Plays for Young People, with Songs and Choruses suitable for Private Theatricals. 1300 J

Basile (G.) The Pentameronc; or The Story of Stories. 1481 J

Beckman (Ernst). Pax and Carlino. 1483 J

Biography. Great Orators, Statesmen, and Divines: Brief Lives with specimens of Characteristic Speeches. 1134 J

Heroes and Martyrs of Science, by H. C. Ewart, 1886. 1068 J

CONTENTS.—Columbus, Friar Bacon, Galileo, Kepler, Sir Isaac Newton, Denis Papin, Thomas Campanella.

England. The Empire and its Heroes, by C. H. Simpkinson. 1164 J

A short history of England from 1603.

Blagden (Mrs. G.) Pixie: or Two Little English Girls in France. 1552 J

Braddon (M. E.) The Christmas Hirelings. 1556 J

Bramston (M.) Everingham Girls. 1553 J

Daudet (Alphonse). The Pope's Mule, and other Stories. 1607 J

David Fleming's Forgiveness. 1609 J

Defoe (D.) Adventures of Robinson Crusoe of York, Mariner, told for the Children's Library. 1608 J

Dibdin (M. A.) Mr. Wentworth's Daughters. 1596 J

Dick Delver. A story of the Peasant Revolt of the Fourteenth Century. 1611, 1612, & 1613 J

Eivind (R.) Finnish Legends for English Children. 1636 J

Ellis (E. S.) Ned on the River. 1638 J

Fishes. Denizens of the Deep; an account of Fishes, &c., from "The Sea and its Living Wonders," by Dr. G. Hartwig, 1887. 1319 J

Hauff (Wilhelm). The Little Glass Man, and other stories. 1744 J

Hope (A. R.) The Hermit's Apprentice. 1743 J

Hueffer (Ford H. Madox.) The Feather. 1753 J

Johnson (H.) All for Number One. 1763 J

Kingston (W. H. G.) Dick Cheveley; his Adventures and Misadventures. 1766 J

——— The Rival Crusoes. 1767 J

Laboulaye (E.) More Old Wives' Fables. 1802 J

Marshall (Emma). A Good-hearted Girl. 518 J

Mick Tracey. The Irish Scripture Reader. 1053 J

Millington (T. S.) No Choice. 1857 J

O'Grady (Standish). Finn and his Companions. 1887 J

——— The Chain of Gold. 1886 J

A boy's tale of adventure on the wild west coast of Ireland.

Persia. The Retreat of the Ten Thousand, by Professor C. Witt, 1892. 1230 J

Auguste. Philippe Auguste et son Siècle, by J. B. J. Champaguac. 1114 J

Ready, O Ready! or These Forty Years, by the Captaiu of the Cumberland, 1873. 1067 J

Sargent (G. E.) The Chronicles of au Old Mauor Housc. 1962 J

Shipton (H.) Dagmar. 1963 J

Strain (E. H.) School in Fairyland. 1959 J

Suzanne de L'Orme. A Story of France in Huguenot Times. 1756 J

Symington (M.) Seeking a City. 1964 J

Trade. The Romauce of Trade, by H. R. Fox Bourne. 1213 J

Vallance (Lucy). Paul's Birthday. 1987 J

Ward (E.) A Pair of Originals. 1991 J

Waters (H.) Thought Fairies; a tale for boys and girls. 1992 J

Wyss (J. R.) Le Robinson Suisse, ou Histoire d'une Famille Suisse Naufragée. 1993 J

Music.

Beethoven Sonaten Album: a selection of the most popular Sonatas, by Franz Liszt. 368 & 369 M

Caryll (I.), and **Monckton** (L.) A Runaway Girl. Piano score. 264 M

Dvorak (A.) The Spectre's Bride: a dramatic Cantata. 127 M

Farmer (John). Christ and His Soldiers: a Sacred Oratorio. 275 M

Gluck (C. Von) Iphigenia in Aulis: an Opera in three acts. 142 M

——— Iphigenia in Tauris: an Opera in four acts. 144 M

Handel (G. F.) The Dettingen "Te Deum," in complete vocal score, with accompaniment for the Organ or Pianoforte, by Dr. J. Clarke. 157 M

Haydn (F. J.) The Creation: arranged for Pianoforte Solo. 286 M

Jones (S.) An Artist's Model: a comedy with music, arranged for the Pianoforte by G. S. Jones. 501 M

——— A Gaiety Girl: a new musical comedy, arranged for the Pianoforte by P. Duprêt. 502 M

——— The Geisha, a story of a tea-house: a Japanese Musical Play, in two acts. 503 M

——— Greek Slave: a Musical Comedy, arranged for the Pianoforte by H. Clarke. 504 M

——— San Toy, or the Emperor's Own: a Chinese Musical Comedy. Piano score. 505 M

Kerker (G.) The Belle of New York: a Musical Comedy, in two acts. Vocal score. 288 M

Meyerbeer (J.) Le Prophete: arranged for the Pianoforte by G. A. Macfarren. 191 M

Mozart (W. A.) Die Zauberflöte (The Magic Flute): an Opera in two acts. 198 M

Verdi (G.) Un Ballo in Maschera: au Opera in three acts. 231 M

History, Theory, &c. History of Music, by F. L. Ritter. 42 M

Musical Groundwork: being a first manual of musical form and history for students and readers, by F. J. Crowest, 1890. 3 M

Phases of Musical Englaud, by F. J. Crowest. 9 M

Story of British Music; from the earliest times to the Tudor period, by F. J. Crowest, 1896. 10 M

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Religion, &c.

Bible References of John Ruskin. By Mary and Ellen Gibbs, 1898. 509 A

Ruskin ascribes his intimate knowledge of the Bible "to my mother for the resolutely consistent lessons which so exercised me in the Scriptures as to make every word of them familiar to my ear in habitual music."

Christian Science. Retrospectiou and Introspection, by Mary Baker G. Eddy. 1899. 737 A

Chapters on Christian Science with some autobiographical notes.

Christian History. "Our Fathers Have Told Us." Sketches of the history of Christendom for Boys and Girls who have been held at its Fonts. The Bible of Amiens, by John Ruskin, 1897. 514 A

The author's original purpose was to write a work of ten parts, each taking up some local division of Christian history to the thirteenth century. The present volume completed the first part and is descriptive of the early Frank power, and of its final skill in the Cathedral of Amiens.

English Church. Church Problems: a View of Modern Anglicanism, by various Anthors. Edited by H. H. Henson, 1900. 848 A

CONTENTS.—The Church of England, Establishment, Disendowment, Parochial System, Convocation, Anglican Theology and Worship, Church and Nonconformity, The Roman Controversy, Uniformity, Parties in the Church, &c.

Lord's Prayer and the Church. Letters to the Clergy, by John Ruskin, edited by Rev. F. A. Malleson, 1896. 513 A

Letters written to the secretary of a North country Clerical Society in 1879. They were read before this and other similar societies by the editor of the volume, the discussion upon them taking the form of written replies from the clerical and lay members. These replies, with an epilogue by Ruskin, occupy the greater portion of the book.

Biography and History.

Africa. Colonization of Africa by Alien Races, by Sir H. H. Johnston, 1899. 2740 B

A general history of the attempts of Asia and Europe to colonize Africa. In addition to reviewing the efforts of the English, Dutch, French, Germans, Portuguese, &c., in the whole of the Dark Continent, the volume has chapters on Great Explorers, the Slave Trade, and Christian Missions, as well as eight maps.

Boer War. Four Months Besieged: the Story of Ladysmith, by H. H. S. Pearse, 1900. 2753 B

Unpublished letters written by a special correspondent of the "Daily News." They form a complete story of the siege by one of the besieged. The volume contains maps and illustrations.

The Last Boer War, by H. Rider Haggard, 1899. 2751 B

An account of the Boer rebellion of 1881, its causes and results; with a brief record of the facts that engendered the present crisis.

The Siege of Ladysmith, by R. J. McHugh, 1900. 2752 B

The letters of which this volume consists describe the famous siege from the time of investment till relief came. They were written for the "Daily Telegraph," of which journal the author was a special correspondent. The book is illustrated.

The War in South Africa: Its Causes and Effects, by J. A. Hobson, 1900.

This book is in part devoted to an economic and political analysis of the South African problem, and in part to impressions of what the writer saw and heard on the spot in 1899. It is written by one opposed to the war, and is regarded as well and simply written, moderate and impartial. 3629 B and R L

The Transvaal Boers: a Historical Sketch, by Africanus, 1899. 2745 B

A handy summary of Transvaal history written just before the present war.

Danton (George Jacques, *a Leader in the French Revolution, executed* 1794). Life of Danton, by A. H. Beesley, 1899. 1396 B

Carlyle said. "Few such remarkable men have been left so obscure to us as this Titan of the Revolution."

Crimean War. Letters from the Black Sea during the Crimean War, 1854-5, by Admiral Sir Leopold George Heath, 1897. 1583 B

Europe. The making of Europe, by "Nemo," 1900. 3143 B

A simple account of the origin and formation of the principal countries and states of modern Europe.

Heroes of the Nineteenth Century: Wellington, Garibaldi, Grant, Gordon; by G. Barnett Smith, 1899. 2351 B

Popularly written lives, with portraits and other illustrations.

Nelson (Lord). Nelson's Friendships, by Mrs. Hilda Gamlin, 2 vols., 1899. 2443 B

An account of Nelson's life, chiefly in connection with his friendship for Lady Hamilton. The work claims to bring forward evidence vindicating Nelson's moral character and freeing him from any charge of dishonour. Contains sixty illustrations, including many rare portraits.

Ruskin (John). Hortus Inclusus: Messages from the Wood to the Garden, sent in the happy days to the sister ladies of the Thwaite, Coniston, 1888. 1915 B

The "Enclosed Garden" consists of a selection of letters written by Ruskin to Coniston friends. The letters are described by the editor as the fruit of the most beautiful friendship he had ever been permitted to witness.

Letters addressed to a College friend during the years 1840-1845, 1894. 1916 B

Contains also an essay, "Was there Death before Adam fell, in other parts of Creation."

Ruskin (John). Præterita: Outlines of scenes and thoughts perhaps worthy of memory in my past life. 3 vols., 1899. 1917 B

By the perusal of these autobiographical reminiscences the author claims that "habitual readers of my books will understand them better," and speaking of his life as described in these volumes he adds, "I feel justified in commending to other students its main methods of study and principles of work." This edition contains also the 'Dilecta,' and is illustrated with engravings.

Travels and Topography.

Africa (South). Side Lights on South Africa, by Roy Devereux, 1899. 4373 C

Some of the chapter-headings are:—Politics at the Cape. The City of Gold. What I saw in Pretoria. Evolution of Rhodesia. The Chartered Company and Mr. Rhodes. Kimberley as it is. The Garden Colony. In Portugese territory. Madagascar, etc. The volume has a good map.

Africa (South). South Africa of to-day, by Capt. F. Younghusband, 1899. 4419 C

Deals with The Resources of the Transvaal. The Boers and their Government. The Uitlanders. The Crisis in Johannesburg. The Revolt and Raid. The outlook in the Transvaal and Rhodesia, etc.

East Coast. Poppyland: Papers descriptive of scenery on the East Coast, by Clement Scott, 1899. 4599 C

Pleasant essays on Cromer, Lowestoft, Yarmouth, and the villages, cornfields, and farms of the the Norfolk and Suffolk coasts.

Eastern Counties. The Eastern Counties Pictorial Guide, 1900. R L

Contains nearly 200 views, with descriptive letterpress and map.

Vera in Poppyland, by Mrs. Alfred Berlyn ("Vera.") 5485 C

A lightly written sketch of a holiday in East Anglia.

Summer Holidays in North East England. Descriptions by C. Cotterell. Illustrated with photographs by Payne Jennings. 5146 C

Comprises views and descriptions of places in Northumberland, Cumberland, Westmoreland, Durham, and Yorkshire.

Essex. Interesting Dovercourt, Essex; with views of the Lych Gate, erected by the Queen, and the stained-glass window presented by the German Emperor, 1899. R L

The facsimile of a Souvenir presented to the Queen and to the German Emperor.

Lowestoft. New Pictorial and Descriptive Guide to Lowestoft, with excursions to Norwich, the Broads, Yarmouth, &c., 1900. 4176 C

A handy guide, containing many illustrations and three maps.

Norfolk Broads. Handbook to the Rivers and Broads of Norfolk and Suffolk, by G. C. Davies. 4794 C

This volume is really an illustrated guide. In addition to describing all the places of interest it has chapters on Railway access, the local Fisheries act, River distances, Tides, Fishing generally, Yachting, Shooting, and Skating.

How to organise a Cruise on the Broads, by E. R. Suffling, 1899. 4799 C

The experience contained in this volume may be taken as the practical knowledge gained by the writer on these waters during the past 25 years.

On the Broads, by Anna Bowman Dodd, 1896. 5147 C

The chapter-headings in this well illustrated volume are:—Wroxham Bridge. Wroxham Broad. A Norfolk Wherry. To Potter Higham. Up the Thurne. Hickling Broad and Horsey Mere. To Acle Bridge. The Story of Norwich. Down to Yarmouth. Yarmouth quays and beaches. Up the Yare. Cantley Regatta. Up to Norwich, etc.

Norfolk Broads.

Rambles in East Anglia; or Holiday Excursions among the rivers and broads, by Harry Brittain, 1899. 4587 C

Summer in Broadland: Gipsying in East Anglian Waters, by H. M. Doughty, 1899. 4795 C

Norway and Sweden. The Lake District of Norway: Holiday Tours to Norway, Sweden, and St. Petersburg, 1900. 4200 C

A well illustrated handbook and guide issued by the Wilson Line.

Scotland. Through Scotland by the Caledonian Railway, 1900. R L

An illustrated guide issued by the Railway Co.

NOTE. These Tourists' Books are also in the Central Library,

Social Questions, Politics, &c.

Africa (South). The Constitution ("Grondwet") of the South African Republic, as approved and confirmed by the Volksraad in 1858; and, Conventions: Pretoria (1881), and London (1884), appended, 1899. R L

Industry and War. The Crown of Wild Olive: Four Lectures on Industry and War, by John Ruskin, 1899. 5842 D

The lectures are entitled:—Work. Traffic. War. The Future of England. There is an appendix consisting of notes on the Political Economy of Prussia.

Letters to Workmen. Fors Clavigera: Letters to the Workmen and Labourers of Great Britain, by John Ruskin. 4 vols., 1896. 5717-8 D

These 96 letters cover a period of 13 years (1871-1884) and deal with an immense range of subjects and interest. They form the crown and climax of Ruskin's social teaching, but apart from their message they are treasured by lovers of literature for the quality and charm of their writing.

Readings in John Ruskin's "Fors Clavigera," 1871-1884. 5527 D

A series of passages selected from "Fors," with the aim of opening its message to those for whom it may be practically inaccessible by reason of its difficulty and length. Ruskin's applications and illustrations and everything except the directly ethical or social teaching have been set aside in these "Readings."

Time and Tide, by Weare and Tyne: Twenty-five letters to a working man of Sunderland on the Laws of Work, by John Ruskin. 1899. 5745 D

Letters relating to the laws "bearing upon honesty of work and honesty of exchange." The headings to the letters include:—Co-operation. Contentment. Legislation. Expenditure. Dictatorship. Episcopacy and Dukedom. Trade-warrant. Education. The Master. Land Marks, &c.

Master and Servant. A complete hand-book to the Law of Master and Servant, by A. H. Graham, 1899. 5763 D

Political Economy. Munera Pulveris: Six Essays on the elements of Political Economy, by John Ruskin, 1898. 5833 D

Until the date of these essays (1863) the author says "No exhaustive examination of the subject was possible to any person unacquainted with the products of the highest industries, commonly called the Fine Arts," and he claims that this work is "the first accurate analysis of the laws of Political Economy which has been published in England."

Unto this Last: four Essays on the first principles of Political Economy, by John Ruskin, 1898. R L

The first object of these papers was "to give an accurate and stable definition of wealth." Their second—"to show that the acquisition of wealth was finally possible only under certain moral conditions of society." The Lending Library copy of this book is 5576 D.

Social Questions. The Human Machine: an enquiry into the Diversity of Human Faculty in its bearings upon Social Life, Religion, Education, and Politics, by J. F. Nisbet, 1899. 5903 D

Discusses a variety of questions, including Genius, Morality, Dreams, Luck and Chance, Happiness, Sex, Marriage Market, Parents and Offspring, Vices and Virtues, Population, Restlessness of Democracy, End of the World, &c.

Science and Art, &c.

Acetylene. Lectures on Acetylene, by Vivian B. Lewes, 1899. 7764 E

A short account of the discovery of Acetylene gas, and a demonstration of its properties and commercial value.

Architecture. Architectural Review: for the Artist and Craftsman, vols. 4-6, 1898-9. R L

Full of finely-executed engravings of things beautiful in Art and Architecture. Vols. 1-3 are already in the Library. Presented by Ex-Councillor East.

The Seven Lamps of Architecture, by John Ruskin, 1899. 7493 E

"Not an Essay on European Architecture," but "a statement of principles illustrated each by one or two examples" of the Italian Romanesque and Gothic styles. "Obtained in every case by personal observation, there may be among them some details valuable even to the experienced architect."

Architecture.

The Stones of Venice, by John Ruskin, with illustrations drawn by the Author, 3 vols., 1898. R L

A historical and descriptive essay on the Architecture of Venice—the story of the beautiful buildings of that city. In 1851, when the book was first published, the author was of opinion that it was the only existing account of Venetian Architecture on which dependence could be placed. This new copy has been placed in the Reference Library, as a 2 vol. edition is already in the Lending department. (No. 6650 E).

Art. Art of England; and, the Pleasures of England, by John Ruskin, 1898. 7208 E

Lectures given in Oxford in 1883-1885. They comprise Realistic Schools of Painting: D. G. Rossetti and W. Holman Hunt. Mythic Schools: E. Burne Jones and G. F. Watts. Classic Schools: Sir F. Leighton and Alma Tadema. Fairyland: Mrs. Allingham and Kate Greenaway. The Fireside: John Leech and John Tenniel. The Hillside: George Robson and Copley Fielding. The Pleasures of Learning, of Faith, of Deed, of Fancy.

The Eagle's Nest: Ten Lectures on the Relation of National Science to Art, by John Ruskin, 1899. 7209 E

The third series of Oxford Art Lectures, given in 1872.

Frondes Agrestes: Readings in Modern Painters, by John Ruskin, 1899. 7211 E

To those who have the desire but not the time to read the full edition of the most popular of Ruskin's works, the selections printed in this little volume will be welcome. They were "chosen at her pleasure by the author's friend, the younger lady of the Thwaite, Coniston."

Giotto and his Works in Padua: being an explanatory notice of the Frescoes in the Arena Chapel, by John Ruskin, 1900. 7212 E

In this work, which was originally published in 1854 by the Arundel Society to accompany their series of woodcut reproductions of the frescoes dealt with, Ruskin made no attempt to write the life of Giotto, and only collected such information as was necessary to render the plates intelligible. The volume forms a complete illustrated record of "not only the most perfect expressional work, but the prettiest piece of wall decoration in North Italy."

The Harbours of England, by John Ruskin; with thirteen illustrations by J. M. W. Turner, 1895. 7455 E

In 1856 Ruskin wrote this essay on Turner's marine paintings for the new edition of that painters "Harbours of England," originally issued in an incomplete form in 1826. The twelve engravings have been reproduced in this, the newest edition of the work, by the photogravure process, from a selected set of early examples.

Art.

"A Joy for Ever" (and its price in the market); being the substance (with additions) of two lectures on the Political Economy of Art, by John Ruskin, 1899 7456 E

In addition to the two lectures, which are printed as delivered at Manchester in 1857, there are forty pages of addenda bearing upon them; and also three supplementary papers containing aphorisms respecting principles of art teaching.

Lectures on Architecture and Painting, delivered at Edinburgh in November, 1853, by John Ruskin, 1899. 7457 E

Of the four illustrated lectures contained in this volume, I. and II. are on Architecture (with Addenda), III. on Turner and his Works, and IV. on Pre-Raphaelitism (with Addenda).

Lectures on Art, delivered before the University of Oxford in 1870, by John Ruskin, 1898. 7489 D

Ruskin describes these, the inaugural Oxford Lectures, "as the most important piece of my literary work, done with unabated power, best motive, and happiest concurrence of circumstances." The lectures deal with the Relation of Art to Religion, to Morals, to Use. Line. Light. Colour.

Modern Painters, by John Ruskin, 6 vols., illustrated, 1898. R L

In publishing the first edition of this work, in 1843, Ruskin wrote, "I scarcely know whether I should announce it as an Essay on Landscape Painting, and apologize for its frequent reference to the works of a particular master (Turner); or, announcing it as a critique on particular works, apologize for its lengthy discussion of general principles." At any rate the work "originated in indignation at the shallow and false criticisms on the works of the great artist to whom it principally refers." The Lending Library copy is No. 6444 E.

Mornings in Florence: being simple studies of Christian Art for English Travellers, by John Ruskin, 1894. 7491 E

"Letters written as I would write to any of my friends who asked me what they ought preferably to study in limited time; and I hope they may be found of use if read in the places which they describe, or before the pictures to which they refer." Considerable space is devoted to Giotto, whose work in Florence Ruskin commends to the special examination of visitors.

St. Mark's Rest: the History of Venice; written for the help of the few travellers who still care for her monuments. By John Ruskin, 1894. 7492 E

The author says in his preface that the only trustworthy autobiography of a nation is to be found in the book of its art, and that the Story of Venice is chiefly so written. The work of Carpaccio is dealt with at length, and of Venetian monuments St. Mark's Church, and the pillars of the Piazzetta are particularly described.

Art.

The Two Paths: being lectures on Art and its application to Decoration and Manufacture, delivered in 1858-9; by John Ruskin, 1898. 7494 E

"One or two main principles of Art in simple light, indicating their practical bearing on modern design. To illustrate the dependence of all noble design on the sculpture or painting of Organic Form." The author seeks to impress the student with his "responsibility for choice between two modes of study, which involve ultimately the development, or deadening, of every power he possesses. Let him pause at the parting of The Two Paths."

Val d'Arno: Ten lectures on the Tuscan Art directly antecedent to the Florentine Year of Victories, by John Ruskin, 1890. 74954 E

Oxford Lectures delivered in 1873. Their titles are:—Nicholas the Pisan, John the Pisan, Shield and Apron, Parted per Pale, Pax Vobiscum, Marble Couchant, Marble Rampant, Franchise, The Tyrrhene Sea, Fleur de Lys. The volume is illustrated with thirteen plates and an Appendix contains notes on the same.

Birds. Love's Meinie: three lectures on Greek and English Birds, by John Ruskin, 1897. 7490 E

The Lectures are entitled:—The Robin, The Swallow, and, The Dabchicks; the first two of which were delivered at Oxford in 1873 to art students. They form ornithological essays, minutely describing the habits and structure of certain birds, as well as criticising scientific classification and nomenclature.

Drawing. Elements of Drawing, in three letters to beginners, by John Ruskin, 1898. 7210 E

In regard to this manual the author says "the student who obeys its directions will find on the whole that the best answerer of questions is perseverance, and the best drawing masters woods and hills." Though written in 1856, the book was never completely superseded by Ruskin's later writings. In "The Laws of Fesole" Ruskin proposed to recast his teaching and produce a systematic manual for a drawing school, but only Vol. I. was ever completed.

Education. Letters and Lectures on Education, by J. F. Herbart; translated and edited by H. M. and E. Felkin, 1898. 6838 E

The translation of this work is the outcome of the increasing interest shown in Herbart and his educational ideas in England and America. It treats of the practical side and work of teaching as well as theory and scientific principles. Though Herbart died sixty years ago, the extent of his influence may be gathered from the remarkable fact that the literature relating to the work of this German educationalist in various languages amounts to upwards of 3,000 works.

Engraving. Ariadne Florentina: six lectures on wood and metal engraving, by John Ruskin, 1890. 7207 E

The fourth series of Ruskin's professorial lectures at Oxford, delivered in 1872.

Kindergarten System: Its origin and development as seen in the life of Friedrich Froebel. Translated and adapted from the work of Hanschmann, by Fanny Franks, 1897. 6854 E

This is really an abridged translation of Hanschmann's larger "Life of Froebel." In its production the aim has been to make the book practically serviceable for Kindergarten students by presenting a concise view of Froebel's life, and of his scientific theory of education.

Man. Races of Man: an outline of Anthropology and Ethnography, by J. Deniker [Contemp. Sci. Series] 1900. 7141 E

Designed for those who desire to obtain rapidly a general notion of the foundations of the twin sciences — Anthropology and Ethnography. Technical terms are explained and annotated, and there are 176 illustrations and two maps in the volume.

Mineralogy. The Ethics of the Dust: Ten lectures to little housewives on the elements of Crystallization, by John Ruskin, 1898. R L

"Not intended as an introduction to Mineralogy, but merely to awaken in the minds of young girls a vital interest in the subject of their study." The book is written in dialogue. A copy is already in the Lending Library (No. 14662 H).

Motor Cars. Lectures on Mechanical Road Carriages, by W. Worby Beaumont, 1896. 7764 E

Traces the history of mechanical road traction and transport, and gives illustrated descriptions of recent inventions and achievements.

Natural Science. Object Lessons from Nature: a first book of Science, by L. C. Miall, 2 vols., 1897. 7659 E

Bright and simply written lessons in Zoology, Botany, and Physics. Though written for children's reading they would be very suggestive to teachers in the conduct of object lessons. A few of the chapter-headings are: Some common quadrupeds. Insects. How plants get and scatter their seed. The common shrimp. A piece of wood. Heat. Air, and burning in air. Composition of water. A candle flame. History of a summer shower. A piece of coal. A piece of bread, etc.

Psychology for Teachers, by C. Lloyd Morgan, 1894. 7249 E

Sir Joshua Fitch, late chief inspector of Training Colleges, in a preface to this manual, says, that teachers "will learn from it that many of the problems which school-life presents cannot be satisfactorily solved except in the light of such truths as the science of mind reveals."

Sculpture. Aratra Pentelici: seven lectures on the Elements of Sculpture, by John Ruskin, 1890. 7206 E

This second series of lectures, delivered at Oxford, in 1870, is "restricted to the statement not only of first principles, but of those which were illustrated by the practice of one school, and by that practice in its simplest branch." The titles of the lectures are: The division of art. Idolatry. Imagination. Likeness. Structure. School of Athens. Relation between Michael Angelo and Tintoret.

Prose Fiction.

Barrett (Wilson), and **Barron** (Elwyn). In Old New York. 8416 F

Burnett (F. H.) In Connection with the De Willoughby Claim. 11962 F

Crawford (F. Marion). Via Crucis. 9095 F

Curran (Henry E.) A Woman's Witchery. 9093 F

Finnemore (John). Red Man of the Dusk. 9331 F

Herman (Henry). Woman, the Mystery. 9898 F

Jokai (Maurus). The Poor Plutocrats. 12289 F

Le Gallienne (Richard). The Worshipper of the Image. 12318 F

Libbey (Laura Jean). We Parted at the Altar. 12330 F

Mason (A. E. W.), and **Lang** (A.) Parson Kelly. 10770 F

Nesbit (E.) Story of the Treasure Seekers. 10936 F

Orde (Marcus). The Weird Ring of Aviemoor. 10964 F

Pemberton (Max). Fco. 12419 F

Quiller-Couch (A. T.) The Ship of Stars. 12433 F

Stockton (Frank). Vizier of the Two-Horned Alexander. 12873 F

Tolstoy (Leo). Resurrection. 12897 F

Zangwill (I.) They that Walk in Darkness: Ghetto Tragedies. 11882 F

Poetry and the Drama.

Phillips (Stephen). Paolo and Francesca: a Tragedy in Four Acts, 1900. 13565 G

Mr. Richard Le Gallienne says that Mr. Phillips is a poet of noble performance and exciting promise. Mr. William Archer describes this work itself as "a thing of exquisite poetic form, yet tingling from first to last with intense dramatic life."

Ruskin (John). Poems, 2 vols., 1891. 13592 G

Arranged in chronological order, and edited with notes biographical and critical by W. G. Collingwood. Half of these poems were written before Ruskin was 17, and practically the whole of them before he had attained the age of 25.

Miscellaneous Literature.

The Commonwealth: A Social Magazine, Edited by Canon Henry Scott Holland, Vol. 4, 1899. R L

Meynell (Alice). The Children, 1897. 14138 H

Short child-studies. Mr. George Meredith says of this little volume and its author, "Her knowledge and her maternal love of children are shown in her ready entry into the childish state, and transcript of its germinal ideas."

Ruskin (John). On the Old Road: a Collection of Miscellaneous Essays and Articles on Art and Literature, published 1834-1885, 3 vols., 1899. 14659 H

The subjects dealt with include: Pre-Raphaelitism. Study of Architecture. Inaugural Address at Cambridge School of Art. The Cestus of Aglaia. Picture Galleries. Notes on Natural Science. Literature: Fiction, fair and foul. Fairy Stories. Economy. Theology, &c.

——— The Queen of the Air: being a study of the Greek Myths of Cloud and Storm, 1899. 14660 H

This book is described by its author as "desultory memoranda on a most noble subject," and adds his belief that "they contain suggestions which may be followed with safety by persons who are beginning to take interest in the aspects of mythology."

——— Sesame and Lilies: Three Lectures by John Ruskin, 1899. R L

The lectures are:—Of Kings' Treasuries. Of Queens' Gardens. Mystery of Life and its Arts. They were written for young people, the first advising how and what to read, and the other two discussing the purposes of the life and the nature of the world they are entering. The Lending Library copy is 14663 H.

——— *Ed.* Christ's Folk in the Appennine: Reminiscences of her friends among the Tuscan Peasantry, by Francesca Alexander, 1889. 14664 H

Sketches and stories of the Italian peasantry written to Ruskin by a friend, out of which he selected for publication a series which he regarded as tenderly finished word-portraits.

——— *Ed.* The Story of Ida: Epitaph on an Etrurian Tomb, by Francesca [Alexander], 1898. 14665 H

The editor thus introduces this little book: "The following story of a young Florentine girl's too short life is absolutely and simply true; it was written only for memorial of her among her friends, and I have had a certain feeling of desecrating its humility of affection ever since I asked leave to publish it."

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Collingwood (Harry). The Castaways, an Ocean Romance. 17465 J

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Abyssinia. A Journey to the Abyssinian Capital 'Harper's Magazine,' June.

Actresses. A word of warning to young Actresses. 'Century Magazine,' May.

Afghanistan. The Coming Afghan Crisis. 'Fortnightly Review,' June.

Africa (South). Annexation and After. 'Fortnightly Review,' May.

The Cape in Time of War. 'Good Words,' June.

The Confederation of S. Africa. 'Fortnightly Review,' April.

Early Dutch Footprints in Africa. 'Chambers' Journal,' May.

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From the Boer Republics. 'Cornhill Magazine,' May.

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South African Reconstruction. 'Fortnightly Review,' May.

South Africa Reminiscences. 'Cornhill Magazine,' April and May.

Army. The Army and its Badges." 'Pall Mall Magazine,' May.
Future of the British Army. 'Fortnightly Review,' May.
Our Antiquated Drill and Tactics. 'Fortnightly Review,' May.
Our Military Needs. 'Fortnightly Review,' April.
The Home Army. 'Cornhill Magazine,' May.

Art. Art in Modern Bridges. 'Century Magazine,' May.
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Asia. British Sphere in Asia. 'Nineteenth Century,' May.
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Austen (Jane). A Chat about Jane Austen's Novels. 'Nineteenth Century,' May.

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Building. Building a Skyscraper. 'Strand Magazine,' April.

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The last Palace Intrigue at Peking. 'Fortnightly Review,' June.

Cinematograph. The Future of the Cinematograph. 'Chambers' Journal,' June.

Cowper (William). 'Fortnightly Review,' May.
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Kitchener (Lord). Biographical Sketch. 'Pearson's Magazine,' April.

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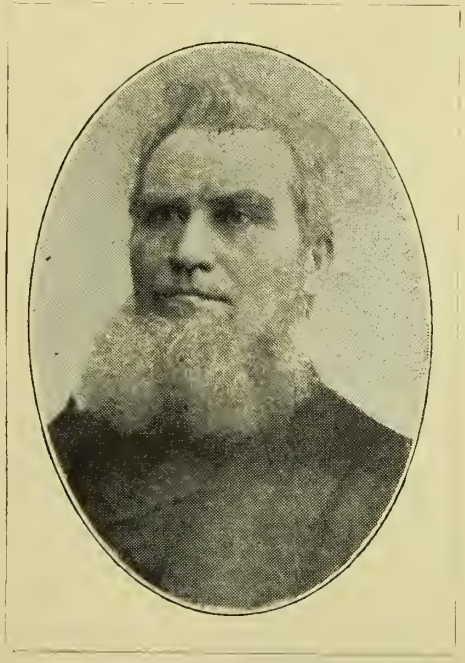

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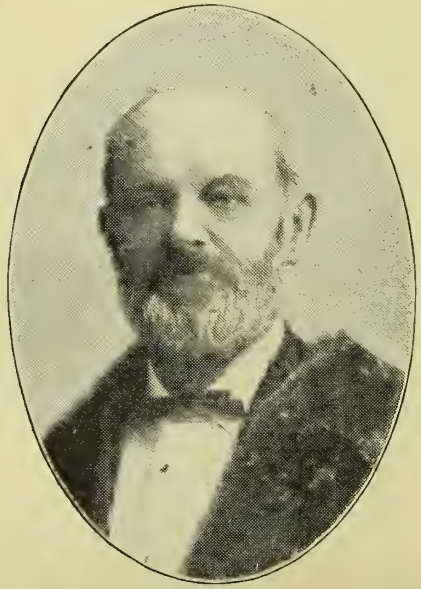

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ESSAY ON BOOKS.

WE cannot linger in the beautiful creations of inventive genius, or pursue the splendid discoveries of modern science, without a new sense of the capacities and dignity of human nature, which naturally leads to a sterner self-respect, to manlier resolves, and higher aspirations. We cannot read the ways of God to man as revealed in the history of nations, of sublime virtues as exemplified in the lives of great and good men, without falling into that mood of thoughtful admiration, which, though it be but a transient glow, is a purifying and elevating influence while it lasts. The study of history is especially valuable as an antidote to self-exaggeration. It teaches lessons of humility, patience, and submission. When we read of realms smitten with the scourge of famine or pestilence, or strewn with the bloody ashes of war; of grass growing in the streets of great cities; of ships rotting at the wharves; of fathers burying their sons; of strong men begging their bread; of fields untilled, and silent workshops, and despairing countenances,—we hear a voice of rebuke to our own clamorous sorrows and peevish complaints. We learn that pain and suffering and disappointment are a part of God's providence, and that no contract was ever yet made with man by which virtue should secure to him temporal happiness.

In books, be it remembered, we have the best products of the best minds. We should any of us esteem it a great privilege to pass an evening with Shakespeare or Bacon, were such a thing possible. But were we admitted to the presence of one of these illustrious men, we might find him touched with infirmity, or oppressed with weariness, or darkened with the shadow of a recent trouble, or absorbed by intrusive and tyrannous thoughts. To us the oracle might be dumb, and the light eclipsed. But when we take down one of their volumes, we run no such risk. Here we have their best thoughts embalmed in their best words; immortal flowers of poetry, wet with Castalian dews, and the golden fruit of wisdom that had long ripened on the bough before it was gathered. Here we find the growth of the choicest seasons of the mind, when mortal cares were forgotten, and mortal weaknesses were subdued: and the soul, stripped of its vanities, and its passions, lay bare to the finest effluences of truth and beauty. We may be sure that Shakespeare never out-talked his Hamlet, nor Bacon his Essays. Great writers are indeed best known through their books. How little, for instance, do we know of the life of Shakespeare: but how much do we know of him!

For the knowledge that comes from books, I would claim no more than it is fairly entitled to. I am well aware that there is no inevitable connection between intellectual cultivation, on the one hand, and individual virtue or social well-being, on the other. "The tree of knowledge is not the tree of life." I admit that genius and learning are sometimes found in combination with gross vices, and not unfrequently with contemptible weaknesses; and that a community at once cultivated and corrupt is no impossible monster. But it is no over-statement to say that, other things being equal, the man who has the greatest amount of intellectual resources is in the least danger from inferior temptations,—if for no other reason, because he has fewer idle moments. The ruin of most men dates from some vacant hour. Occupation is the armour of the soul; and the train of Idleness is borne up by all the vices. I remember a satirical poem, in which the Devil is represented as fishing for men, and adapting his baits to the taste and temperament of his prey; but the idler, he said, pleased him most, because he bit the naked hook. To a young man away from home, friendless and forlorn in a great city, the hours of peril are those between sunset and bedtime; for the moon and stars see more of evil in a single hour than the sun in his whole day's circuit. The poet's visions of evening are all compact of tender and soothing images. It brings the wanderer to his home, the child to his mother's arms, the ox to his stall, and the weary labourer to his rest. But to the gentle-hearted youth who is thrown upon the rocks of a pitiless city, and stands "homeless amid a thousand homes," the approach of evening brings with it an aching sense of loneliness and desolation, which comes down upon the spirit like darkness upon the earth. In this mood his best impulses become a snare to him; and he is led astray because he is social, affectionate, sympathetic, and warm-hearted. If there be a young man thus circumstanced within the sound of my voice, let me say to him, that books are the friends of the friendless, and that a library is a home of the homeless. A taste for reading will always carry you into the best possible company, and enable you to converse with men who will instruct you by their wisdom, and charm you by their wit; who will soothe you when fretted, refresh you when weary, counsel you when perplexed, and sympathize with you at all times. Evil spirits in the Middle Ages were exercised and driven away by bell, book, and candle: you want but two of these agents,—the book and the candle.

We are enabled by the courtesy of the Editor of the "South Essex Mail" to present to our readers a portrait of the Countess of Warwick, who opened the Passmore Edwards Museum on October 18th. Frances Evelyn, Countess of Warwick, is the daughter of Col. the Hon. C. H. Maynard, and was born on December 10th, 1861. She married the Fifth Earl of Warwick. Besides being a well-known Society Leader, the Countess of Warwick is identified with many public movements. On her Essex Estate at Dunmow she has founded a successful needlework school, with a depôt in Bond Street; also a Science and Technical School for boys and girls. At Reading she has founded a Hostel in connection with the College for training daughters of professional men in horticulture and dairy, bee and poultry keeping. At Warwick she has founded a Home for seventeen crippled children, who are admitted free for an unlimited length of time. Both at Warwick Castle and Easton Lodge, Dunmow, she has established a complete organisation for the welfare of the poor and the nursing of the sick. For the past four years she has been a Poor Law Guardian. Among her recreations is gardening, and a copy of her work, entitled "An Old English Garden," beautifully bound and illustrated, is in the Essex Collection at the Central Library.

The Countess of Warwick.

Jottings.

Mr. Councillor J. Weaver Smith has been elected Chairman of the Library and Institute Committee in succession to Mr. Councillor Billows, J.P. Mr. Smith has been on the committee since his election on the Council in 1898, and his constant and earnest attention to all matters affecting the interests of these institutions is well known. We have implicit confidence in their continued progress while under his chairmanship.

We regret to lose, in the person of Mr. Alderman Fielder, one of our oldest members. His cordiality and kind disposition were always in evidence during his long term of office as a member of our Committee. His place is filled by Mr. Councillor Kettle, whose reputation as an energetic member of the Council will doubtless be exemplified still further during his connection with the Library and Institute.

The Worshipful the Mayor, Mr. Councillor A. Bishop, J.P., whose portrait together with that of the Deputy Mayor we are enabled to give through the courtesy of the Editor of the "South Essex Mail," has been a been a member of the Council since the second year of its existence in 1887. He has the honour of being the first Councillor elected as Mayor of the Borough. He is a temperance advocate, and as a practical man has a wide acquaintance with municipal work of every description; he also takes a special interest in the sanitary efficiency of the Borough.

The Deputy Mayor, Mr. Councillor C. Mansfield, was first elected on the Council in 1886. He is a large employer of labour, and has the reputation of being an ardent economist in Municipal affairs.

The Central Lending Library, after being closed for a month for stocktaking, repairs and redecoration, was re-opened to the public on September 3rd, on which day 1,173 volumes were issued, while some 2,000 were taken in.

The present double number of "Library Notes," in addition to a large number of selected works, contains also a complete list of the music contained in the Central Lending Department.

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A valuable copy of Hasted's "History of Kent" has been presented to the Library by Mr. A. Gregory, of Plumstead, as some acknowledgment for the information obtained by him from the West Ham Public Libraries in connection with the adoption of the Libraries Act at Woolwich and Plumstead.

The Librarian of the German House of Commons recently paid two visits to the West Ham Libraries and made notes on the various arrangements, which he submitted to the Ministers upon his return.

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Emin Pasha, and the Rebellion at the Equator, by A. J. M. Jephson, 1890. 767 C

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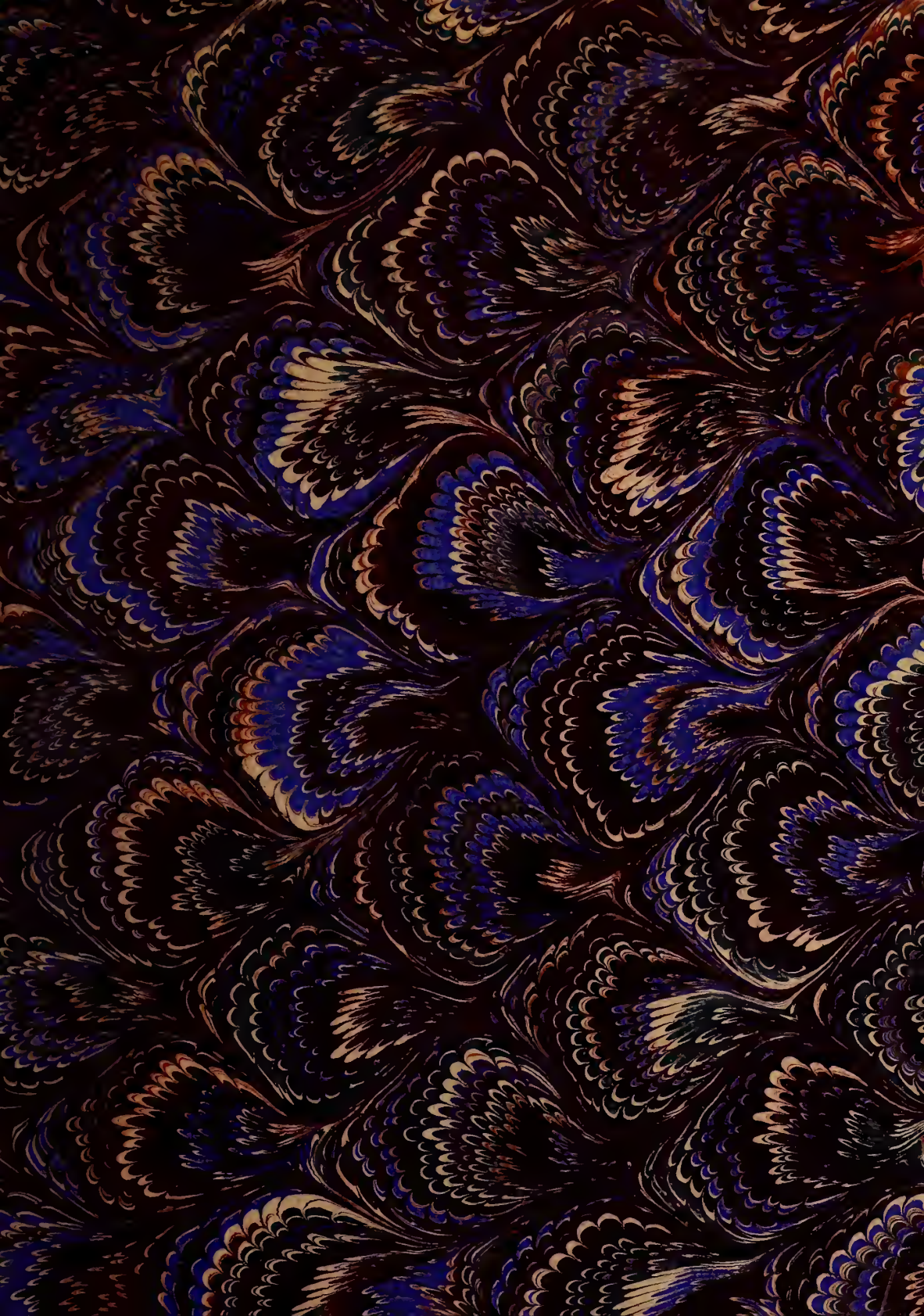

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